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SUBJECT: HUSAK VISIT TO BULGARIA

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1. THE JANUARY 20-23 VISIT TO BULGARIA OF A CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY AND GOVERNMENT DELEGATION LED BY CCP FIRST SECRETARY GUSTAV HUSAK AND PREMIER LUBOMIR STROUGAL HAS BEEN LONG ON CEREMONY AND EXPRESSIONS OF FRATERNAL SOCIALIST UNITY AND COOPERATION. PROTOCOL RELATED TO FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF MUTUAL ECONOMIC AND SCIENTIFIC TECHNICAL COOPERATION WAS SIGNED BY THE TWO PREMIERS AND MEMORANDUM ON EXPANSION OF COOPERATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WAS SIGNED BY RESPECTIVE CHAIRMEN OF JOINT COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC AND SCIENTIFIC TECHNICAL COOPERATION. NO FURTHER DETAILS HAVE BEEN RELEASED. JOINT COMMUNIQUE ON TALKS WAS ALSO AGREED UPON FOR "FUTURE PUBLICATION".

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2. HUSAK VISIT HAS DOMINATED PRESS AND BEEN LEADING FEATURE ON TELEVISION. FIRST TWO PAGES BCP PARTY ORGAN RABOTNICHESKO DELO JANUARY 24 DEVOTED TO FINAL HALF DAY OF VISIT AND FULL TEXT OF SPEECHES GIVEN BY HUSAK AND ZHIVKOV. AS OFFICIAL EXPRESSION OF FRIENDSHIP AND SOLIDARITY VISIT MUST BE JUDGED A SUCCESS.

3. ZHIVKOV AND HUSAK SPEECHES WERE LARGELY STANDARD REAFFIRMATION OF WELL KNOWN POSITIONS. NOTABLE, HOWEVER, WAS ZHIVKOV'S HARSH CONDEMNATION OF PRC, CALL FOR PAN EUROPEAN AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST MEETINGS. HUSAK'S REMARKS ON THESE SUBJECTS WERE MUCH MORE MUTED. ZHIVKOV MADE REFERENCE TO NEW US TRADE LAW (SEE REFTEL). HUSAK DID NOT. SAME POINTS WILL PROBABLY BE REITERATED IN JOINT COMMUNIQUE ON WHICH EMBASSY WILL REPORT IN DETAIL AFTER ITS PUBLICATION.  
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